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on or before May 1, 1996, and to contracts entered into prior to any amendments to this chapter after that date.

§1405.4 Delegations of authority.

The delegations of authority relating to the CCC programs and activities are set forth in the by-laws of CCC and in dockets approved by the CCC Board of Directors. Copies of the By-laws and the dockets may be obtained from the Secretary of CCC.

§1405.5 Notice and comment.

The level of loans, purchases and payments made in accordance with the programs set forth in this chapter shall be determined without regard to the notice and comment provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553.

§1405.6 Crop insurance requirement.

(a) To be eligible for any benefits or payments under 7 CFR parts 1410, 1412, 1421, 1427, 1435, 1443, 1446, or 1464, the producer must obtain at least the catastrophic level of insurance for each crop of economic significance in which the producer has an interest or provide a written waiver to the Secretary that waives any eligibility for emergency crop loss assistance in connection with the crop, if insurance is available in the county for the crop. In meeting this requirement, the producer may:

(1) Obtain at least the catastrophic level of crop insurance in all counties for each crop of economic significance in which the producer has an interest;

(2) Obtain at least the catastrophic level of crop insurance for some, but not all, crops of economic significance for which the producer has an interest, and sign a waiver; or

(3) Sign a waiver that waives any eligibility for crop loss assistance in connection with the producer's crop.

(b) Crop of economic significance. The term "crop of economic significance" means a crop that has contributed in the previous year, or is expected to contribute in the current crop year, 10 percent or more of the total expected value of all crops grown by the producer. However, notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if the total expected liability under the catastrophic risk protection endorsement is equal to or less than the administra-

tive fee required for the crop, such crop will not be considered a crop of economic significance.

PART 1407—SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT

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1407.1 Purpose.

1407.2 Suspension and debarment.

1407.3 Scope.

AUTHORITY: Sec. 4, 62 Stat. 1070, as amended (15 U.S.C. 714b).

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§1407.1 Purpose.

This part prescribes the terms and conditions under which persons (i.e., an individual or any form of business entity, such as a proprietorship, partnership, corporation, association, or cooperative) may be suspended and debarred from contracting with the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) and from otherwise participating in programs administered or financed by CCC.

§1407.2 Suspension and debarment.

The provisions of 48 CFR 409.403 *et seq.* shall be applicable to all CCC suspension and debarment proceedings, except that the authority to suspend or debar is reserved to the Executive Vice President, CCC, or his designee.

§1407.3 Scope.

CCC suspension and debarment proceedings shall not be applicable to contracts entered into by CCC under its price support operations and other CCC programs with persons in their capacity as producers.

PART 1409—MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COM-MODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

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